

Toilet Paper Tube Critters

Credit: Warren County Conservation

I like this craft because it uses an easily supplied base material (toilet paper tube) and any assortment of additional materials you might have in excess at the moment. You could also go on a hike to collect small leaves, acorns, sticks, or grasses to include in the craft to give it a more natural feel.

Materials:

Toilet Paper Tubes
Markers or paint
Googly Eyes
Colored Paper
Glue Sticks
Miscellaneous Craft Materials



Instructions:

1. Decide what animal you would like to start with and color or paint the body.
2. Make any necessary alterations to the body of the tube (I folded mine for the squirrel's ears).
3. Draw and cut out any limbs, wings, teeth, tails, etc.
4. Glue them into place on the tube and add any additional features (pompom nose, pipe cleaner antlers, etc.)
5. Let it dry and enjoy your new toilet paper tube buddy!

Notes: You could glue a clothes pin or magnet to the back to make it “cling” to different places. Older kids might want to wrap the body with colored paper rather than color it in (see the fox.)

